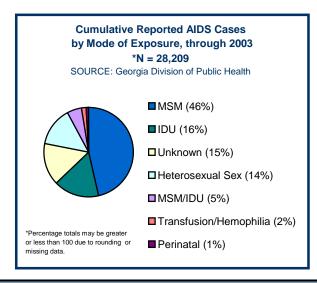
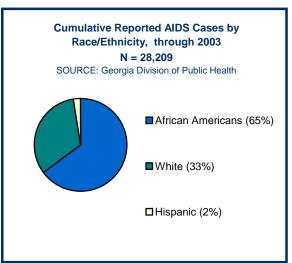


HIV/AIDS, STD & TB Prevention **GEORGIA**

HIV/AIDS Epidemic

Georgia reported 27,915 cumulative AIDS cases to CDC as of December 2003.





Sexually Transmitted Diseases (STDs)

Syphilis

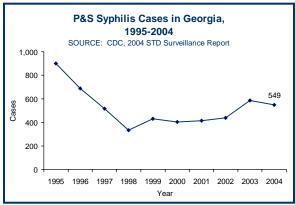
Primary and secondary (P&S) syphilis (the stages when syphilis is most infectious) remains a problem in the southern U.S. and some urban areas. In Georgia, the rate of P&S syphilis decreased 49% from 1995-2004.

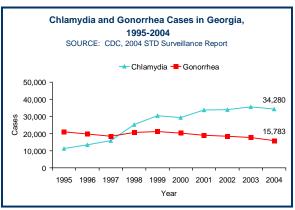
- Georgia ranked 3rd among the 50 states with 6.3 cases of P&S syphilis, per 100,000 persons.
- The number of congenital syphilis cases decreased from 45 in 1995 to 5 in 2004.

Chlamydia and Gonorrhea

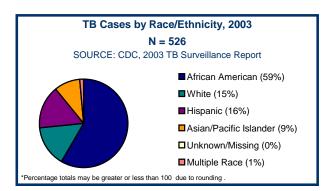
Chlamydial and gonorrheal infections in women are usually asymptomatic and often go undiagnosed. Untreated, these infections can lead to pelvic inflammatory disease (PID), which can cause tubal infertility, ectopic pregnancy, and chronic pelvic pain.

- Georgia ranked 8th among the 50 states in chlamydial infections (394.7 per 100,000 persons) and 5th in the rate of gonorrhea infections (181.7 per 100,000 persons).
- Rates of chlamydia among Georgia women (628.8 cases per 100,000 females) were 4.2 times greater than those among Georgia men (149.6 cases per 100,000 males).





Tuberculosis (TB)



Although rates of tuberculosis (TB) infection in the U.S. have declined substantially since 1992, rates among foreign-born persons continued to increase. In 2003, Georgia reported

- ☐ The 6th highest rate of TB in the U.S.
- ☐ A total of 526 TB cases with 59% affecting African Americans and 16% affecting Hispanics. In all, about 29% were among foreign-born persons.

Program Initiatives Supported by CDC

HIV/AIDS

AID Atlanta is a community-based organization (CBO) serving individuals infected and affected by the AIDS epidemic. AID Atlanta's African American Gay Outreach (AAGO) programs focus on African-American men who have sex with men (MSM). The organization offers free counseling and HIV testing and free HIV education workshops and seminars. In addition, the organization conducts outreach services in other vulnerable populations, including Hispanics, youth, and individuals housed in correctional facilities.

The primary goal of the Georgia Infertility Prevention Project (IPP) is to provide routine screening and treatment services for *Chlamydia trachomatis* in family planning and sexually transmitted disease (STD) clinics. The program is based on the premise that timely treatment for chlamydia can

STDs & TB Prevention Funding to Georgia, 2005 (US\$)	
HIV/AIDS	\$9,397,810
STDs	\$4,245,232
ТВ	\$2,633,062

reduce the debilitating complications caused by this sexually transmitted disease, including pelvic inflammatory disease (PID), ectopic pregnancy, and infertility. Currently, there are 41 IPP clinics in Georgia and these clinics focus on screening sexually active females under the age of 29.

Tuberculosis (TB)

In response to the disproportionate number of TB cases in African Americans, the Georgia TB control program has completed the final phase of the project "Intensification of TB Prevention, Control and Elimination Activities in African American Communities in the Southeastern United States." Interventions based on findings from focus groups that included representatives from the community, health care providers, TB clients and others at high risk for developing TB (e.g. HIV-infected persons, the homeless and substance abusers) will result in the development, implementation, and evaluation of interventions to accelerate TB elimination in U.S.-born African Americans in Fulton County.

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